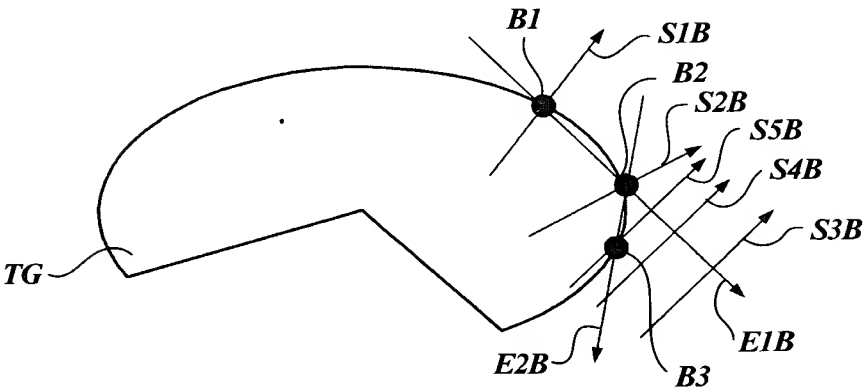
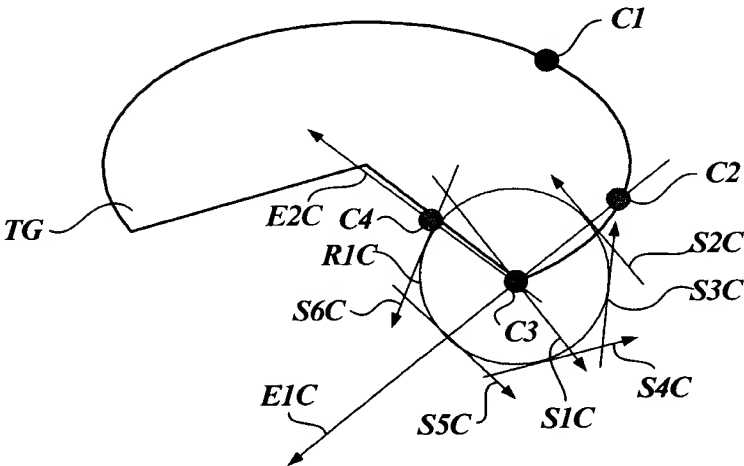


**Fig. 1A.**  
(PRIOR ART)



**Fig. 1B.**  
(PRIOR ART)



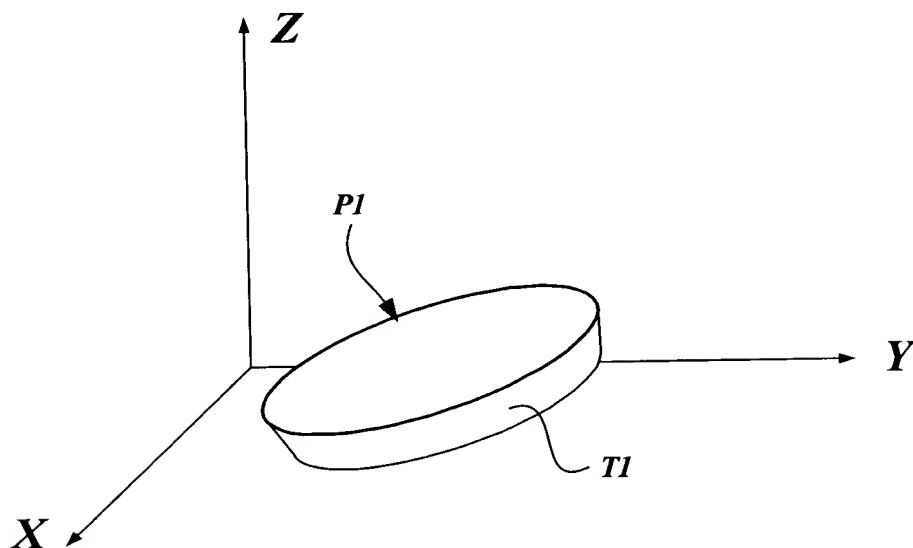
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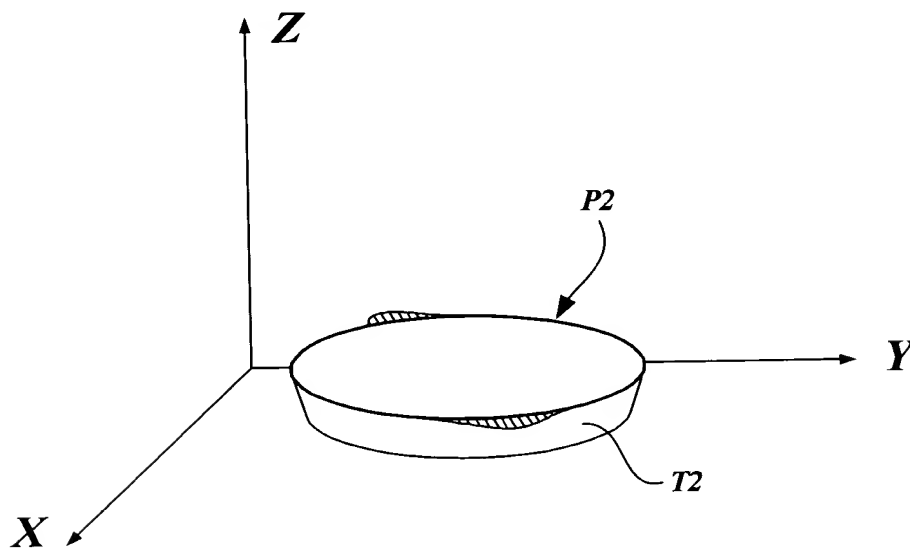
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*Fig. 2A.*



*Fig. 2B.*



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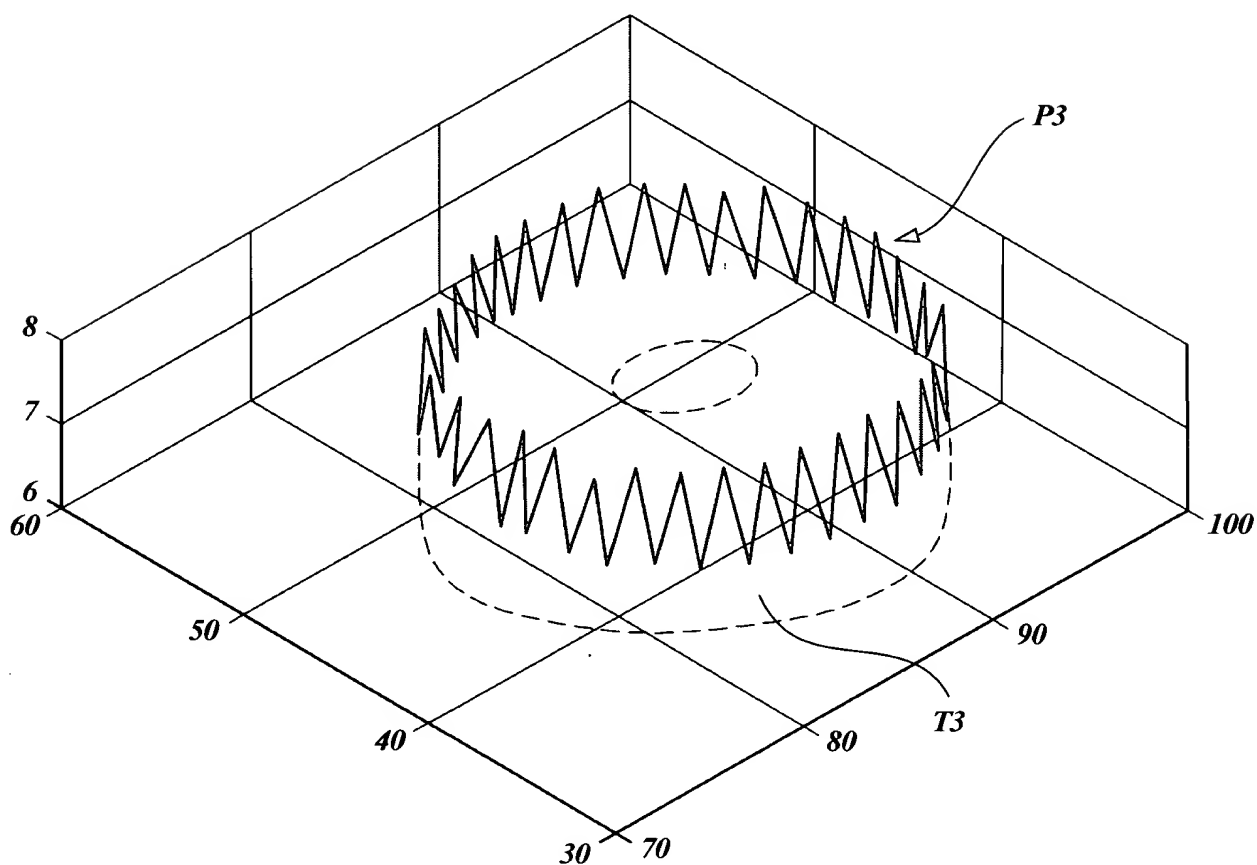


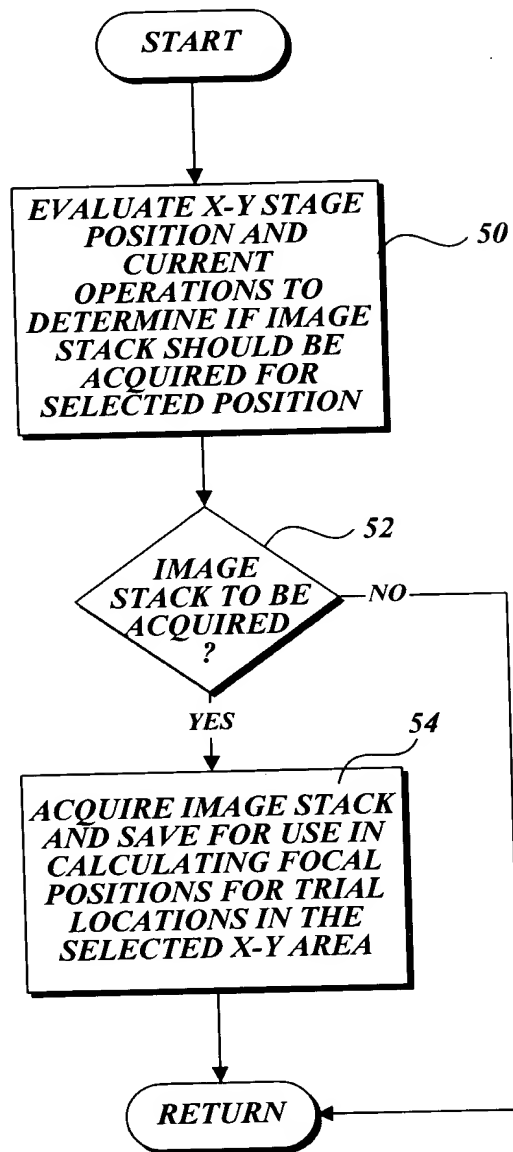
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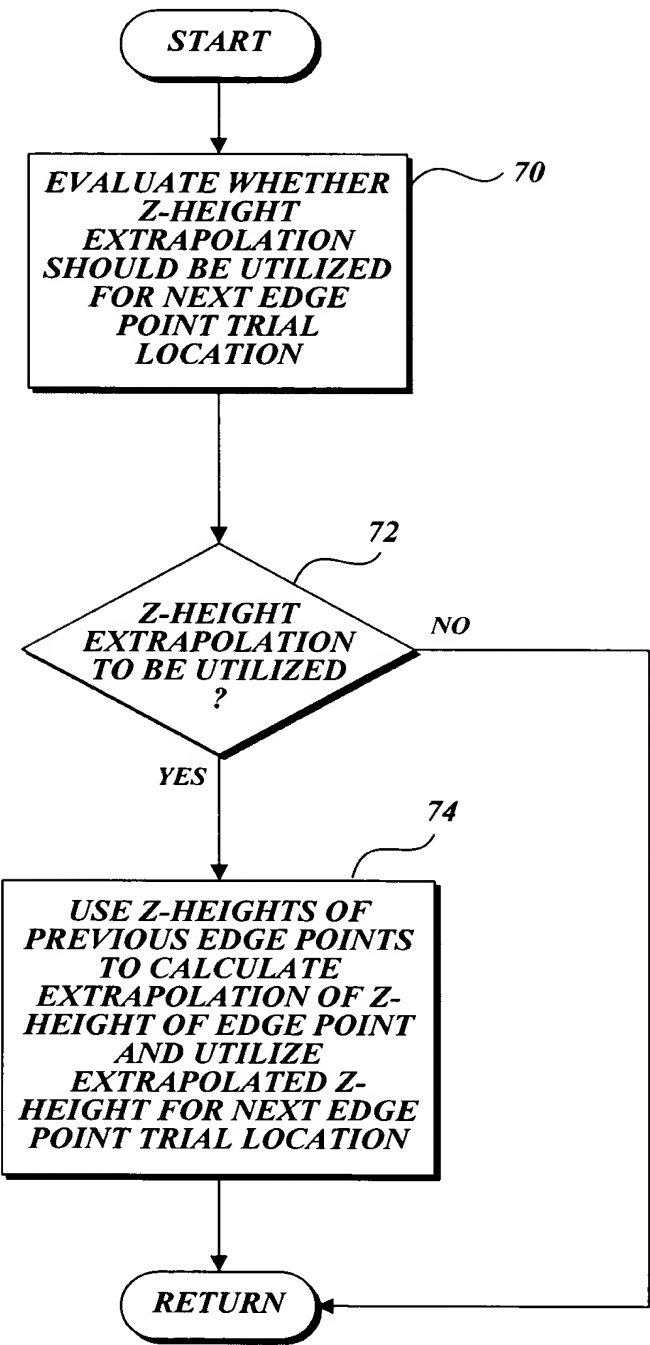
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*Fig.3.*



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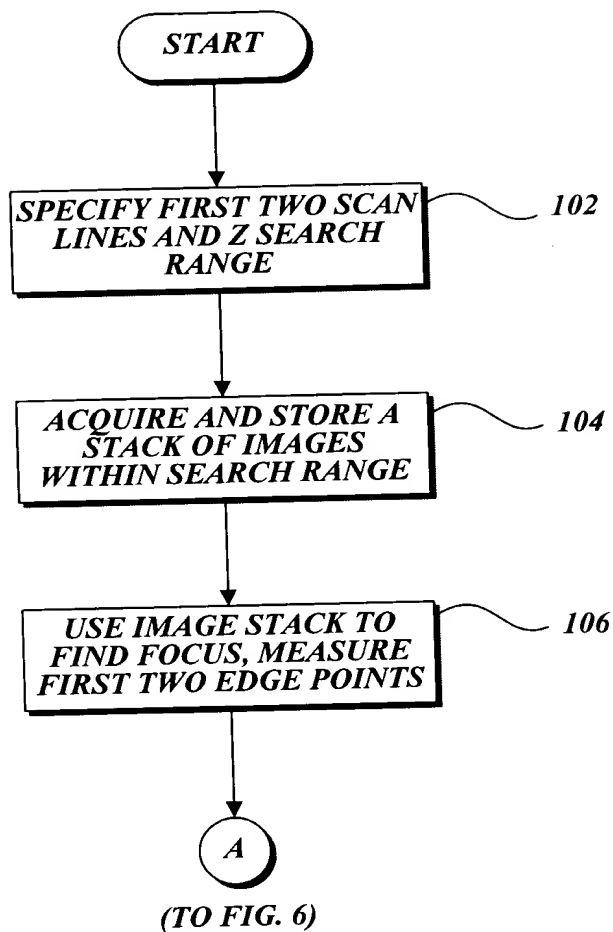
*Fig.4.*



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**Fig.5.**

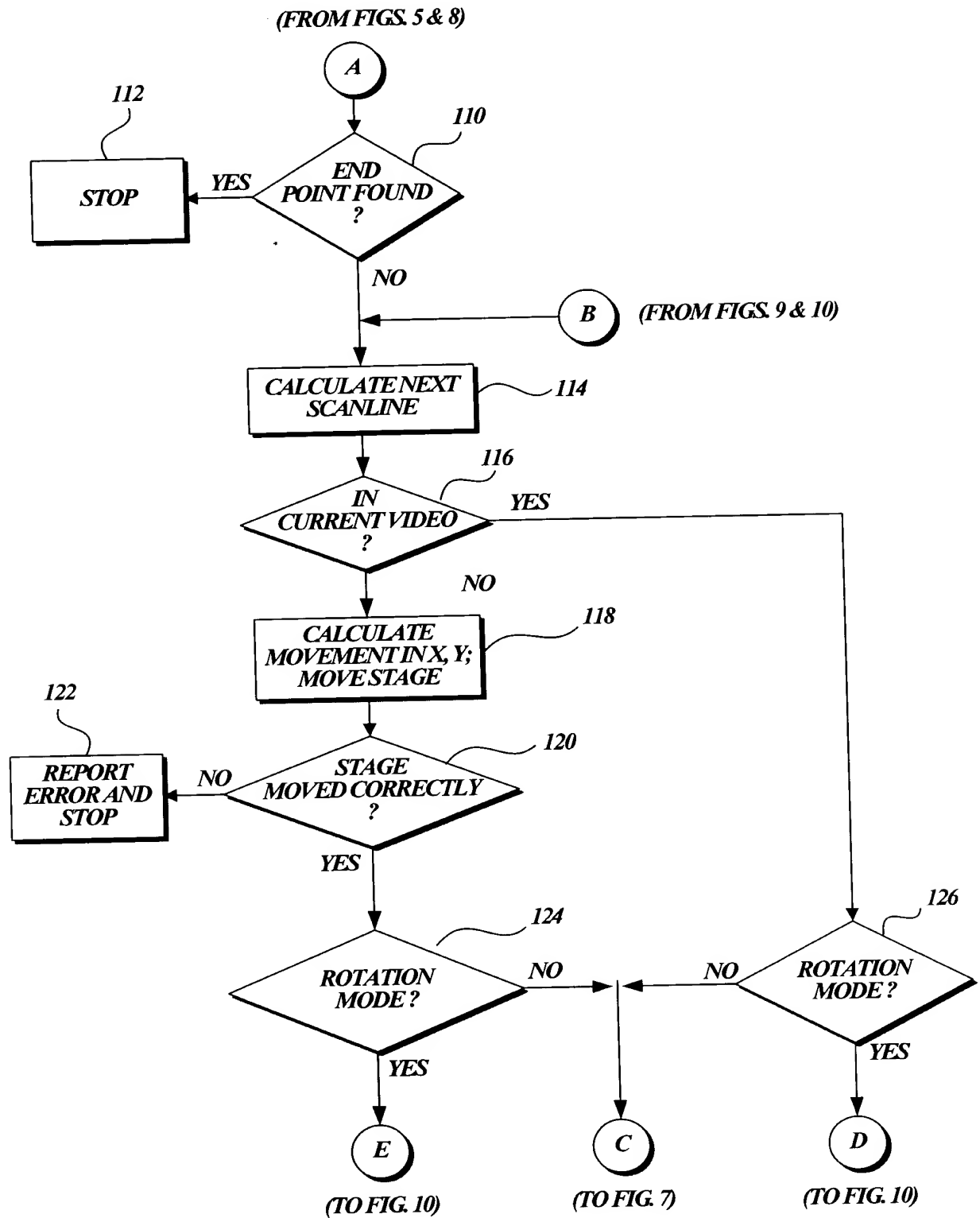


Fig. 6.



(FROM FIGS. 6 & 9)

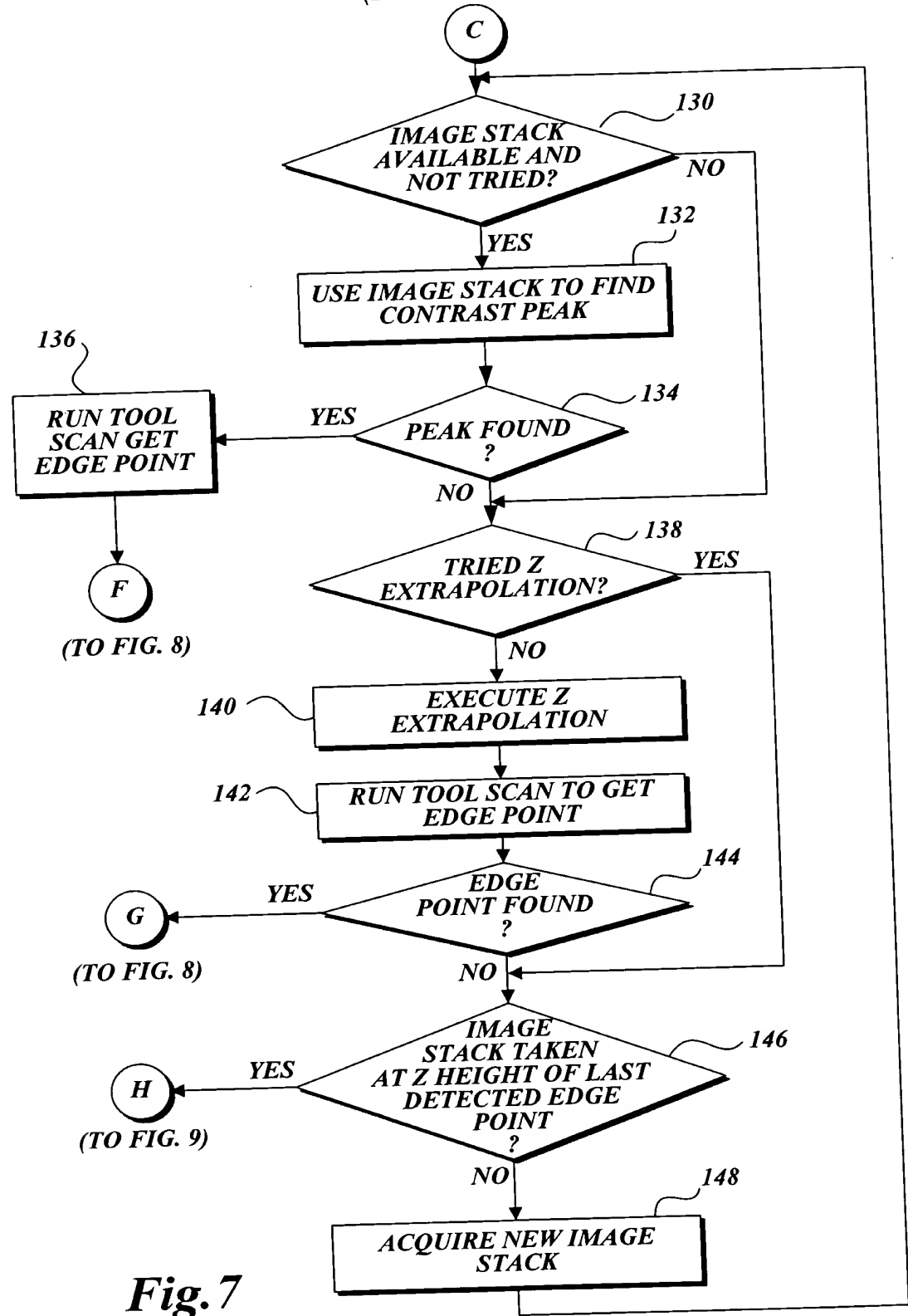


Fig. 7

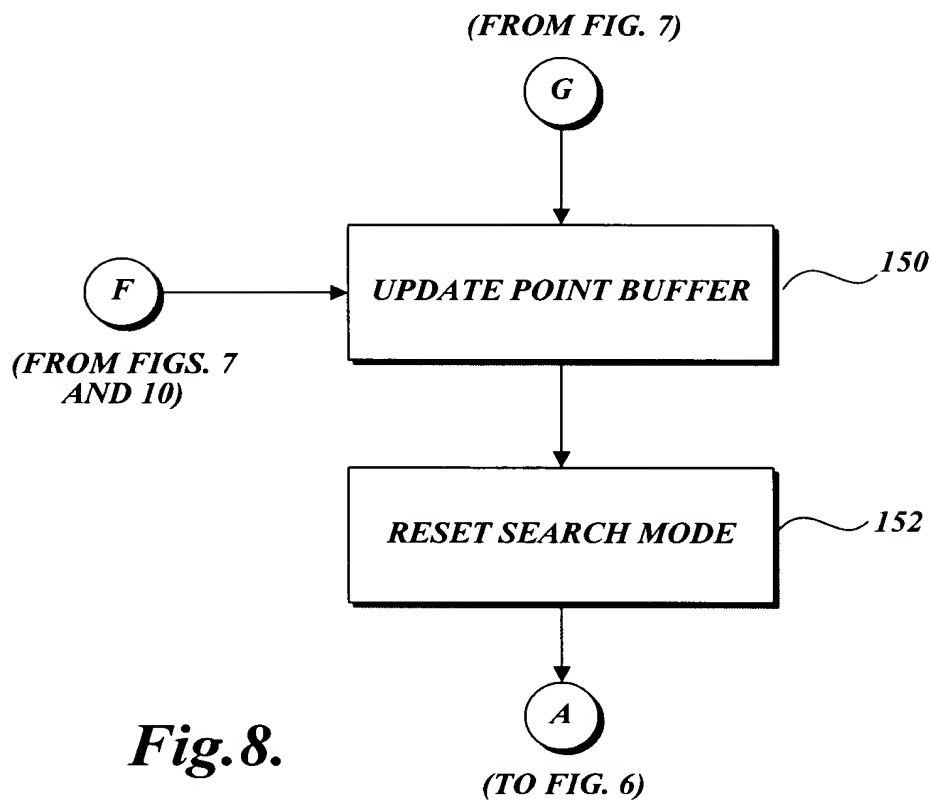




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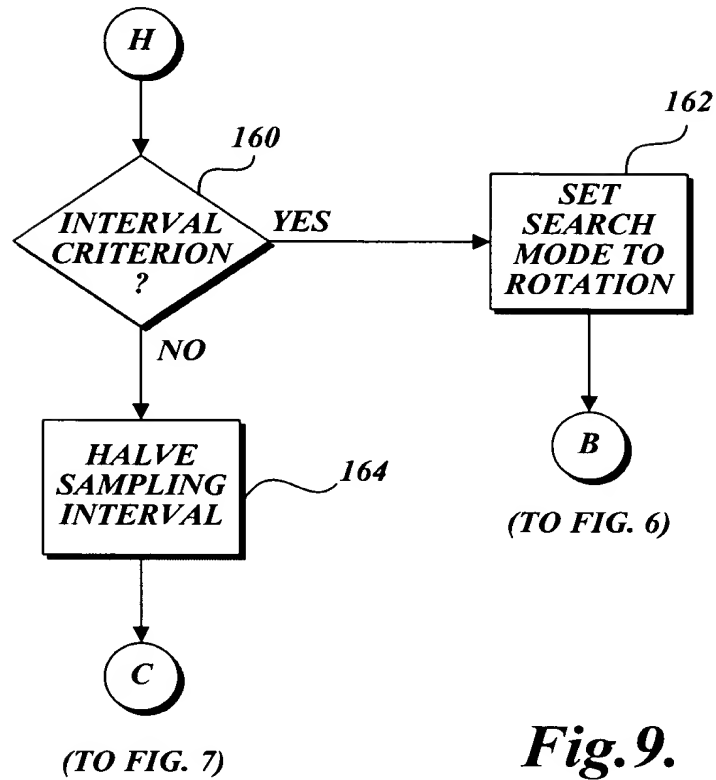
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**Fig.8.**



(FROM FIG. 7)



**Fig. 9.**



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